

On Friday, the 31st of March the Newark Eagles have completed one week of extensive training. The Boys have just about thrown off that soreness that is inevitable the beginning of spring practice. All the players have reported except Dick Seay, Ed. Stone and Bud Barbee, these three played winter baseball in Porto Rico and will be in tip top shape when they report.

James Brown, young pitcher from Laurel Hill, N. C. has proven a sensation here with his blinding speed. Young Brown is expected to be a great asset to the Eagle's mound staff, and I, for one, believe the youngster has what it takes.

Freddy Wilson, the walloping wonder who came to this Club from the Miami Clowns, is a far cry from being a clown, if this Wilson is not a natural hitter, I will be sadly disappointed man. Ever since he began playing ball some four or five years, he has been dreaded by all pitchers he faced. The fans of Newark should get plenty of thrills out of this boys slugging. Newark's own,

Charles Biot, the East Orange wonder is undoubtedly the hustling youngster to ever come up the professional ranks, just how far this kid will go is and enigma at present, but there is no question that the regulars and rookies have caught his spirit and they are all hustling, and that alone, is a welcome addition to the Newark Eagles. Before we wind up our spring session, we will undoubtedly pick up a couple of more youngsters, and if these new comers and doings of the Club, we will write later.

Willie Wells, who played part winter in Cuba, is in tip form and is raring to go. Wells kept in shape practicing daily with the Chicago American Giants, who trained in Jacksonville, Fla. where Wells spent most of his time when not playing base ball.

Mule Suttles is slugging the ball as of old, and is working hard to get in shape in order to have one of his best seasons. Mule will have to play regular this year, as it is not in the Clubs plan to carry an extra first baseman.

Leonard Pearson, one of the best judges of fly balls in base ball, will have first call for the centerfield post, left open by the release of Jimmy Crutchfield. This is Pearson's third year with the Eagles, he should come into his own and be the star that all his natural ability calls for.

Another lad, "Bucky" Johnson is down here with the Eagles battling for one of the open positions. When the complete squad is assembled and the goings gets hard, especially with the tough exhibition schedule we have booked, I will know just how the new comers will stand up by viewing them under real opposition.

Willie Hubert, pitcher and team mate of Fred Wilson, will be heard from. This boy Hubert in defiance a smart flinger is a treat for any Manager that dotes on brainy players.

Leon Day, former Ace, who was out last season with a sore arm, reports that his arm feels fine. I am handling Day with care and caution because if he stages a comeback, every one knows what he can do.

Johnny Hayes and Joe Brown catchers, are on the job and will be ready when duty calls.

Monte Irvin, youngster, who finished the 1938 season playing sensational ball, is expected to fill Raymond Dandridge's shoes at third base. He will not join the Club until the first week in June, he is looked upon as a regular.

Bob Evans, John Wright and "Lefty" Hill all reported in good condition. Mule Suttles and Joe Brown are the only men in camp with surplus fat, a few more hot days under this hot Florida sunshine will soon have them both down to their regular weight.

The Club will not be at its full strength until the arrival of Dick Seay, Ed. Stone and Bud Barbee.

Yours in Sports,

Dick Lundy, Mgr.